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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM, GH

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF HUMAN RIGHTS

REFERENCE: STATE 045685

1. THE DEPARTMENT IS CURRENTLY REVIEWING AN EXPORT LICENSE FOR 6,300 HANDGUNS FOR THE ARMED FORCES OF GHANA. THE APPLICABILITY OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF REFTEL MUST BE DETERMINED IN THIS CASE. PRIOR TO ISSUING SUCH A LICENSE IT IS NECESSARY TO DETERMINE IF ANY SERIOUS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS HAVE OCCURRED AND, IF SO, WERE THE MILITARY INVOLVED AND WOULD THESE INDIVIDUAL ACTS CAUSE GHANA TO BE CONSIDERED A SERIOUS VIOLATOR OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

2. POST'S VIEW IS REQUESTED ON WHETHER GHANA'S HUMAN RIGHTS RECORD THIS YEAR WARRANTS RECOMMENDING DENIAL OF EXPORT LICENSE UNDER PARA 6 REFTEL. VANCE

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